

43-05-01-02.6. EXISTING WELL CONVERSION. Storage operators seeking to convert an existing well to an injection well for the purpose of geologic storage of carbon dioxide must demonstrate to the commission that the well is constructed in a manner that will ensure the protection of underground sources of drinking water. The storage operator must ~~ensure-demonstrate and ensure~~ that the existing well is constructed and completed to prevent the movement of fluids into or between underground sources of drinking water or into ~~and~~ any unauthorized zones, permit the use of appropriate testing devices and workover tools as required at INSERT CITATION, and permit continuous monitoring of the annulus space between the injection tubing and the long string casing as required at INSERT CITATION. The storage operator of a converted well must meet all other requirements at INSERT APPROPRIATE CITATIONS.

Commented [mrb1]: This is comparable to the last sentence at 146.81(c) which states that "A converted well must still meet all other requirements under part 146."

For additional, concise background, It may be useful to read page 77246 of the final rule that discusses grandfathering of existing wells (starting in the left hand column).